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AIKEN, S.C. - No. 22-ranked USC Aiken collected its ninth straight victory with a 91-61 Peach Belt Conference women's basketball victory over visiting Armstrong Atlantic State University on Saturday evening at the Convocation Center in Aiken, S.C.

The Lady Pacers (14-2, 6-0 PBC) jumped out to a quick 10-2 lead in the game's first three minutes, then extended that lead to 20 at halftime. USC Aiken shot 50 percent from the floor in the first half, including hitting 6-of-9 three-pointers, while forcing 19 turnovers from the Lady Pirates (6-5, 2-1 PBC).

USC Aiken hit 10 of its first 15 shots from the floor after intermission, building a 74-42 lead to coast to the 30-point victory and hand Armstrong its first conference loss of the 2010-11 season.

Senior Arpine Amirkhanyan led all players on the night for the Lady Pirates with 20 points to go with 11 rebounds for a double-double - her sixth of the season. Freshman Mauri Wells chipped in 13 points as well for Armstrong.

USC Aiken placed three players in double figures, led by Kayla Harris' 16 points off the bench. Daniela Tarailo also came off the bench to chip in 15 points while Hannah DeGraffinreed added 11 points.

The Lady Pacers shot 52.5 percent from the game (32-of-61), including 52.4 percent from three-point range (11-of-21) and missed just one free throw on the night for 94.1 percent (16-of-17). Armstrong shot 48.9 percent from the floor (23-of-47) but hit just 3-of-12 three-pointers for 25 percent.

Armstrong returns to action on Wednesday, January 12, visiting Augusta State for a 5:30 p.m. Peach Belt Conference matchup in Augusta, Ga.



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